

microbean germs are found in greater number in lower layers of the atmosphere. They are ten times more numerous in the centre of Paris, in the vicinity of the Seine, than on higher ground. In every house, considered separately, the air of the upper stories is incontestably purer and freer than that of the lower stories.

Cream Filling.
This is used for chocolate, nut and date creams. Whites of two eggs, one-half cupful of sweet cream, two or one-half pounds of confectioner's sugar. Mould into shape on a marble slab.
For date creams remove the stones and mould the cream around the dates.

cream, and put half of an English walnut on each side. Very nice nut cream are also made by chopping nuts and stirring them in the cream before it is set and moulding the desired size.

Another similar rule for the filling chocolate and nut creams calls for the white of one egg, the yolk of another,

Ruffles on Lamp Shades.
Some of the new lamp-shades made of many ruffles of silk muslin about a finger wide. Each ruffle edged with narrow black lace.

They are laid over a cover of *Cn* silk. Pink and blue shades are prett with the touch of black than are th of yellow or of pure white. Though the furor for black and white is great, shades of black and white y probably have their come.

German Crullers.
One cup of thick, sour cream; one cup of sugar, three cups of sifted flour, two eggs, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one heaping teaspoonful of baking powder, one teaspoonful of vanilla. Beat the eggs until light, then add the sugar; beat until light, then add the flour and vanilla.

vanilla and salt. Put the baking powder into the sifted flour and sift again; then add this to the other ingredients, mix and roll out on a board, cut with a large round cutter; then with a small cutter take out the centres. Drop them quickly into boiling fat, brown on one side, turn and brown on the other. When done

have these a perfect success the do
must be as soft as you can possi
handle it.

Enamel the Bath Tub.
When the zinc or tin lining
shabby give it a coat of white
After this has dried apply several

In this way a thick enamel coating is laid upon the metal, giving it the appearance, when completed, of porcelain. The enamel-lined tub is not only much fainter in appearance, but can keep in order more easily than zinc. In a damp cloth-lined corner the

Some Queer Lullabies.
Such lines as these the Chinese mother chants over her infant:

Snail, snail, come out and be fed,
Put out your horns and then your head

For thou art doubly dear to me.
The Arab tawny treasure seems to
easiest sent into dreamland with
following bucolic verse:

Sleep, my baby, sleep;
Sleep a slumber hale.
Sweetly rest till morning light.

And the little Zulu goes to:
Hush thee, my baby.
Thy mother's o'er the mountains gone
There she will dig the little garden patch
And water she'll fetch from the river
The ancient Romans had a number
of lullabies. One began:

After Washing the Dishes.
The floor of the kitchen and dining room should be brushed after every meal, the sideboard rearranged, and the table prepared for the coming meal.

keeper attends personally to the dinner room. The receptacles for sugar, salt, the various table saucers, &c., are placed ready for use, and the water prepared ready for the water, bread, &c. and then covered with a clean cloth large enough to protect it entirely from dust.

Creeping Aprons.
Some Lilliputian genius has designed a creeping apron that is one of the best-selling garments in the line of infant wear. It is a sort of overalls, or Tuxedo trousers, with sleeves and a high neck.

affording absolute protection for the tire clothing. The sizes are suitable for creepers under two years of age. They are made of India cotton, jeans, shirting and gingham and cost about 10 paise.

The Gossip Corner.
Miss Sobragi, a Parsee, in the
Oriental woman to take up the law
a profession. She has studied in
ford and will practise in India.
Mrs. Anna E. Nash, editor of the C
don (Ark.) Cannon Ball, fires this on
the top of her paper: "Not for love."

The late Fru Charlotta Dahl, of I
tofta, Sweden, left 20,500kr. to the N
School at Nior, as a sign of the inte
in the Sloyd movement.

The will of Esther Pomeroy, w
has been filed for probate at Spring
Mass., is a peculiar document. It s

personal property is bequeathed, even gives directions to the executor to finish quilting a bed-quilt, that it be in good condition to give to a relative.